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REMARKS Summary of paragraph 6

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1. Between 6 and 15 April 1952, about 41 T-34 tanks and 20 trucks from the Sachsen-dorf Kaserne on Jahnstrasse, Cottbus (N 52/A 57), were shipped by rail toward Weisswasser (O 52/A 74).

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2. [redacted] came to Weisswasser to sign an agreement with the town mayor and the owner of a laundry to the effect that the laundry of the troops arriving during April will be delivered to this laundry in Weisswasser. "

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3. [redacted] that five houses, containing about 60 apartments and situated on Voltkestrasse, had to be vacated for occupation forces. [redacted] had to be carried out prior to 1 May, or 1 June at the latest. 25X1

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4. On 23 March, about 80 [redacted] trucks were loaded on two trains at the Cottbus railroad station by military personnel who returned to the city on trucks

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estbound trains passing through the Cottbus railroad station included: a train with 51 [] trucks on 29 March; and a train with 53 [] trucks on 1 April. A train with 55 new three-axle trucks, escorted by soldiers wearing black-bordered epaulets, came from the east and passed through Cottbus toward southwest on 2 April. **

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5. On 3 April, a train with 30 three-axle and 27 two-axle new [redacted] trucks came from the east and passed through Cottbus toward southwest. [redacted] that a train with similar loads had been passing through Cottbus daily at 5 p.m. since 30 March. [redacted] a train coming from the east with 38 trucks arrived at Cottbus on 1 April. The trucks were unloaded and driven to the town. [redacted] a train with trucks was running daily from Finsterwalde (N 52/A 15) and other places to Kaliningrad (Koenigsberg) via Cottbus and Frankfurt/Oder (O 53/V 63) and the trains were hauled by the 11th and 14th Locomotive Brigades. ** 25X1

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6. In early April, [redacted] [redacted] Weissenfels (D 52/J 99) that the troops stationed there would move to the troop training grounds on 10 April. ***

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* [] Comment. The tanks mentioned in paragraph 1 probably belong to the 70th
Wez Regt of the 9th Wez Div which is carried in the Sachsenhof Kaserne in Cottbus
and probably moved to Weisswasser in companies as was the practice in 1951. The in-
formation in paragraph 2, however, indicates that, beginning on 10 April 1952, all
units stationed in Cottbus will be transferred to the troop training grounds for
several months of summer training. [] Konradt and
the supply depot at Weisswasser were still closed on 7 April 1952. []

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** [] Comment. The trains mentioned in paragraph 4 belong to shipments made under
the motor vehicle exchange program between the Soviet Zone of Germany and the
U.S.S.R. which has been in progress since March 1952.

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*** [] Comment. Advance details of the 57th Gds Itz Rifle Div have been observed at
the Kindel troop training grounds since mid-March 1952.

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